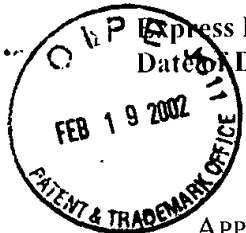


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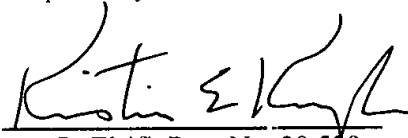
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith in response to the 17 August 2001, Office Action in the present application are the following documents:

1. Response to Office Action (17 pgs.);
2. Formal Drawings, Figs. 1-16 (21 sheets.);
3. Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time (1 page);
4. Check No. 11764 in the amount of \$460.00; and
5. a Return Postcard.

The enclosed check is to cover the \$460.00 fee for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19705-001 (AMC-1). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

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